HOUSE RESOLUTION 25

By Hazlewood

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Anjali Chandra as a 2015 Young Woman of Distinction.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those young people who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as outstanding citizens of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Anjali Chandra, a young woman who has been selected to receive the American Lung Association of Tennessee's 2015 Young Woman of Distinction Award; and

WHEREAS, recipients of this coveted award are young women of the Chattanooga community who evidence a great spirit of volunteerism by working with honor, integrity, enthusiasm, generosity, and compassion to improve the quality of life for their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, a senior at Girls Preparatory School (GPS), Anjali Chandra is an AP Scholar of Distinction and a National Merit finalist with a 4.23 grade point average; she is also the recipient of the prestigious Grace McCallie Scholarship for a rising senior with the highest GPA; and

WHEREAS, Anjali has participated in numerous school clubs and organizations in leadership roles, including serving as editor-in-chief of the school newspaper, team captain of the Science Olympiad, an Honor Council Representative, Principal Violinist for the GPS/McCallie Honors Orchestra, and a member of Model UN; and

WHEREAS, Anjali is noted for her medical and community service involvement, and she established Global EXCEL, a nonprofit organization that provides educational resources to

underprivileged children in India; she has also taught at the Prajna Foundation's Enrichment School in India; and

WHEREAS, a community leader, Anjali is the program director for Power-It Up, a STEM empowerment program for students at the Chattanooga Girls Leadership Academy; serves on the Thiel Foundation board to encourage young people to become entrepreneurs; serves as president of the Infant Mortality Awareness Campaign of Tennessee; and was a board member of the National Hepatitis B Awareness Campaign; and

WHEREAS, the youngest student to receive an investigative award and research internship in the Department of Surgery at the University of Minnesota, Anjali has volunteered at the Hamilton County Health Department, where she planned a curriculum for an infant mortality and tobacco prevention campaign; she also received a grant from Mozilla for the development of a mobile healthcare program for ESL students; and

WHEREAS, possessing an impeccable work ethic, solid character, and innate leadership skills, Anjali Chandra is an outstanding young Tennessean who works with purpose and commitment to make her community and its citizens the very best they can be, and she is fully deserving of the accolades of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby congratulate Anjali Chandra on being honored as a 2015 Young Woman of Distinction by the American Lung Association of Tennessee and extend to her our best wishes for much continued success in every future endeavor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.